

**MACOMB COUNTY 4H DEVELOPMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING
HORSE PROJECT
MARCH 1, 2004**

Meeting called to order: 7:10 PM

Pledges

Attendance: **Just For Fun:** Mike DeFour, Ann Schroeder, Valerie Pope, Lindsey Dibble, Danielle McKinley, Jessi Tabor **Rays Riding Rascals:** Karen Rinke, Sandy Laudicina, Lucy Cooper, Patricia A. Fons, , Kathy Cooper **Hollywood Stars:** Donna Wilson **Washington Raiders:** Paula Klein, Kelli Smith, Nicole Wozniak **Romeo Rough Riders:** Sue Kutche, Elaina Zuccaro, Chelsea Suddon **Mini:** Kathy Cooper **PEP:** Janet Weber **Outlaws:** Carolyn Eagle **Midnite Riders:** Faye Cerku, Ashley Cerku, Shanna Drake, Tammy Drake, Connie Plaskey, Cindy Leone **Macomb Mavericks:** Julie Wallace, Jenny Wallace **MSU Extension Office:** Tina Fleming

Voting Sticks Distributed: Sue Kutche distributed voting sticks to the adult and youth members representing their club.

Agenda: Reviewed

Minutes: Reviewed from February 2, 2004. Motion to accept: 1.) Carolyn Eagle
2.) Ann Schroeder (Approved- note Lucy Cooper listed twice as attending)

Treasurers Report:

1. Sandy Laudicina addressed miscellaneous bills for printing, postage pending payment. No other changes to last month's treasurers report. Motion made to approve payment:
1.) Sandy Laudicina 2.) Ann Schroeder (Approved)

Old Business:

1. **Camp Rotary Dates Review:** Clean up dates: Saturday, May 1st and Saturday, May 8th
2. **Basic Ride & Jump Test:** Saturday, May 22nd at 11:00 AM (Armada Fair cleanup at 9:00 AM). This is if the use of the ring is approved by the Armada Fair staff. Jumps are at the fairgrounds in the standing stalls. If the use of the fairgrounds is not approved, Camp Rotary will be used for the BRT & JT. Rita Faulk is coordinating the BRT again this year.
3. **Show Bill:** Suggests from the Show Bill Committee were distributed at the last meeting for review with each club. The following changes were voted on:
 - A. Ten minute breaks instead of Fifteen minute breaks. (Denied)
 - B. Drop the 2Yr and Under Halter Class. (Approved)
 - C. Saddle Seat classes arranged back to back. The showmanship class will run prior to the lunch brake with Equitation and Pleasure beginning after the lunch break. (Approved)
 - D. Gymkhana Showmanship (9-19) added. (Approved)

- E. Class schedule and Ring assignment to be adjusted if one ring is idle to speed up the show and utilize the second judge. 1.) Ann Schroeder 2.) Elaina Zucaro (Approved)
- F. Flag Race added as the 4th Gymkhana class. (Approved)
- G. Intro to jumping shown prior to Hunter Hack. (Approved)

4. **By-Laws for the Developmental Committee:**The following changes voted in Draft # 3 of the By-Laws:

A.) Article III - Membership:

- 1. Representatives of the DC may be "youth members preferably 4H age 13 or older". 1.) Chelsea Suddon 2.) Ann Schroeder (Approved)
- 2. Clubs are entitled "to be represented by two youth members preferable..." 1.) Ann Schroeder 2.) Carolyn Eagle (Approved)
- 3. Allow any adult member to represent the club as apposed to a screened volunteer. 1.) Ann Schroeder 2.) Carolyn Eagle (Rejected)
- 4. In the event a club's regular representatives cannot attend, the club may send any qualified youth and/or any screened volunteer to represent the club. 1.) Ann Schroeder 2.) Carolyn Eagle (Approved)

B.) Article VII - Horse3 Shows:

"The Macomb County 4H Horse Project Rules and Regulations and the Michigan State 4H Horse and Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations shall govern all horse shows. If an issue arises that is not addressed by the aforementioned, a Resolution Committee consisting of screened volunteers and youth members will be formed via lottery to discuss and vote on the issue." 1.) Carolyn Eagle 2.) Chelsea Suddon (Approved)

C.) Bill Collin's Award

Once an individual has received the Bill Colin's Award they are no longer eligible to receive it in future years. 1.) Ann Schroeder 2.) NAV (Approved)

New Business:

- 1. Limit State Eligibility - Discussion regarding limits to State eligibility and a request to change the rule eliminating competitors if they were selected the previous year. Because this constitutes a change in the Macomb County 4H Horse Project Rules, this rule change must be submitted prior to September 1st, to be voted on. The issue should be taken back to each club to obtain input. Tina Fleming will also contact other counties to determine how they select representatives for State competition.
- 2. Ad Books - Clubs were reminded to work on their ads for this years ad book.
- 3. Grounds Committee - To Do:
 - Boards Missing
 - Fix Door & Frame
 - Riding Rings are dished and the center needs to be built up.
 - Hut - Letter & boards need repair
 - Asphalt for walkway is needed (est \$675.00)
 - Motion to approve repair of wood items and asphalt. 1.) Carolyn Eagle 2.) Kelli Smith
- 4. Miniture Horse Project - Jan Weber would like the Mini Horse Club to function separately from the regular horse program and not under the umbrella of the Horse Developmental Committee. Sue Kutchev indicated there is now a second Mini group and Jan's club is no longer the only mini project. With 11 mini riders it can easily be incorporated into our horse banquet. Kathy Cooper made a motion to leave the Mini Horse Project as a separate body. Tina Fleming advised the Horse Developmental

Committee could not vote on this motion since it was an organization issue set up at the County level. She advised the issue is mixing a committee versus a club. Mini horses are considered a project area by the county. The county wants all Developmental Committees to operate the same. Jan Weber suggested Marilyn contact Kalamazoo County to see how their program operates.

5. Sue Kutchev reviewed a letter received from Camp Rotary acknowledging the use of the grounds for the EMHA shows.
6. Gaming timers still need to be purchased for this year's show season.
7. Registration for clubs will be sent out shortly (waiting for club lists from the County).
8. Ad book cover - Sue Kutchev showed two submissions received for this year's ad book. No decision has been made pending additional submissions.
9. Sandi Laudicina provided information on a fundraiser - Trash Bags @\$6.00 box with clubs receiving 50% profit.
10. Horse First Aid Clinic - TBD

Motion to Adjourn 1.) Carolyn Eagle 2.) Sandy Laudicina

Next Meeting: April 5, 2004 at Camp Rotary